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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Benedict College Music Academic Complex in fiscal year 2023 from the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies under the HUD - Economic Development Initiatives account.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Benedict College, located at:

Benedict College 1600 Harden St Columbia, South Carolina 29204 SC-06 Congressional District

The funding would be used by Benedict College and our community to rebuild and strengthen the travel, tourism and outdoor recreation industry through the construction of the Benedict College Music Academic Complex. The project is focused on new infrastructure in a region that has been adversely affected by damage to the travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation sectors from the coronavirus pandemic, and will host local, regional and national music and arts related events including a high demand "battle of the bands."

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and would improve and expand offerings available to current students, support an increase of students to the music program, and support arts and tourism in the Columbia region. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely

James E. Clyburn

Member of Congress (SC-06)